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**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.114 (AMENDMENT)
AND REQUEST FOR SUSPENSION OF ACTION**

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SIR:

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2007, the period for response having been extended for one (1) month by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, and concurrently with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal, please amend the above-identified application as listed in the following, and as set forth on the following pages:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS; and

REMARKS are included following the amendments.